

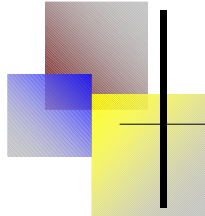


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*HOPE ALIVE TEEN OUTREACH*  
*A CORPORATE SOLE*  
Youth Mentoring Program

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Attention: ADWR Employees

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On behalf of the young men at Adobe Mountain School, I want to thank you for your act of unconditional love that you showed by providing such an overwhelming amount of Thanksgiving pies.

Hope Alive Teen Outreach, Chaplain Todd and the Board would like to say a big thank you to all and commend you on being such a good example to other state agencies and especially to the boys at Adobe.

The boys are always amazed that people would go out of their way “without pay” to do a good deed for them. Your act of generosity will not be forgotten and I hope they will someday remember the act of kindness people showed them while they were incarcerated.

It is true that children reflect what they are taught and you have taught them a big life lesson, “do unto others as you would have them do unto you.”

Thank you again and God bless you and your families with a very happy holiday season.

Sincerely,

The Wallace Family



“By compassion we  
make others' misery  
our own, and so, by  
relieving them, we  
relieve ourselves  
also.”

*Sir Thomas Browne*  
(English physician and writer)



Rita Pearson Maguire

## Director's Corner

Has it really been a year since we were all worked up about the "Y2K bug?" Did anything important occur -- or fail to occur -- because of the Millennium changeover? I didn't think so.

It's been a different story at ADWR. This has been a year filled with important events. It also has been an extremely productive and successful year for the Department. I want to thank all of you for your diligence and dedication.

We began this year with the "sunset" in our eyes as the Legislature debated whether the Department was acting in the public interest, and should the Department be continued for another 10 years. The answer to both questions was a resounding "yes," as it should have been.

We also observed the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passage of the Groundwater Management Act. This is the unique legislation that created the Arizona Department of Water Resources and gave us the tools to manage underground water supplies for generations and help us to maximize the use of renewable water resources.

The Department began another of our massive undertakings. This time it was commencement of the work of the Governor's Water Management Commission. This state-private group is working extremely hard to come to agreement on a number of pressing issues concerning the water future of urban Arizona. I am proud of the work the Commission staff has been doing as it works toward its deadlines in December 2001.

At the end of this year, we are approaching the last few miles in the marathon known as the CAP/Indian water rights settlement negotiations.

There is much work remaining, but we have achieved a consensus position on many of the thorny issues with the help of the tribes, the CAWCD, staff at the Department of Interior, the Arizona Congressional delegation, and other interested parties.

One important achievement was registered by Information Technology, with the redesign of our website and the creation of the Intranet. This is a tool whose value will increase dramatically over the years. The web guys also did a great job in helping to get the ADWR Bookstore up and running. This is a leading-edge idea in Arizona State Government, and I am happy the Department is at the forefront.

The year 2000 has been one of change and renewal inside the Department. Several of our friends have left, and several new friends have arrived. We are told change is good. We just wish it didn't happen so fast.

Now is the time for celebrating the holidays with family and friends. In their usual fashion, ADWR employees are thinking of others first at this special time. Christmas morning will bring a special light to the eyes of some underprivileged children, thanks to the charitable hearts of ADWR employees.

And again, as it was at Thanksgiving, troubled young people behind bars will receive the bounty of the generosity of ADWR staff. Whether the kindness you show will light the spark for some of these young people to turn their lives around, well, we won't know that. We do know it is the right thing to do.

On behalf of my family and the Department, I want to wish all of you the best of the season, and a happy, healthy 2001.

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# YOUR Bank Account

Imagine there is a bank that credits your account each morning with \$86,400. It carries over no balance from day to day. Every evening deletes whatever part of the balance you failed to use during the day. What would you do? Draw out every cent, of course!!! Each of us has such a bank. Its name is TIME.

Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it writes off, as lost, whatever of this you have failed to invest to good purpose. It carries over no balance. It allows no overdraft. Each day it opens a new account for you. Each night it burns the remains of the day.

If you fail to use the day's deposits, the loss is yours. There is no going back. There is no drawing against the "tomorrow." You must live in the present on today's deposits. Invest it so as to get from it the utmost in health, happiness, and success! The clock is running. Make the most of today.

To realize the value of ONE YEAR, ask a student who failed a grade.

To realize the value of ONE MONTH, ask a mother who gave birth to a premature baby.

To realize the value of ONE WEEK, ask the editor of a weekly newspaper.

To realize the value of ONE HOUR, ask the lovers who are waiting to meet.

To realize the value of ONE MINUTE, ask a person who missed the bus.

To realize the value of ONE SECOND, ask a person who just avoided an accident.

To realize the value of ONE MILLISECOND, ask the person who won a medal in the Olympics.

Treasure every moment that you have! And treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time. And remember that time waits for no one.



Bake Sale Winners— First Place: blue ribbon; Second Place: red ribbon; Third Place: white ribbon

## Non-Traditional



L to R: Bill Taebel, Debbie Carter, Louise Hutchinson

## Best Other



L to R: Diane Lynas, Lupe Rodriguez, Lori Cason

## Best Overall Category



L to R: Lupe Rodriguez, Pat Hill, Debbie Carter

## Cakes



L to R: Virginia O'Connell, Pat Hill, Carlane Stephan

## Traditional



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## New Arrivals

**Shilpa Hunter-Patel** is an Attorney in the Legal Division. Shilpa has her Bachelors Degree in Arts from the University of Texas and her law degree from the University of Maryland School of Law.



**Kim Kotzbach** is an Administrative Assistant in the Surface Water Division. Kim is married and has three children; twin girls, Kate and Maureen, and a son Michael. She volunteers for Samaritan Health Services and enjoys walking and hiking.



**Carlos Velez** is a Hydrologist I in the Hydrology Division of Basic Data. Carlos has a Bachelors Degree in Geohydrology. He enjoys bicycling, weight training and model building.



**Michele Lorenzen** is an Attorney who also has a Civil Engineering degree will be working in the Surface Water/Legal Division. She has a little white West Highland terrier named "Katie" that keeps her busy. She is happy to be here and excited to become involved.



## "How Do You Know It Is Bad?"

This is the story of a wise old Chinese man. He was considered to be an odd sort of fellow because of the way he had of looking at things. One time one of his horses ran away. His friends rallied around to console him. "That's too bad," they said. "We are sorry for you." The old man asked them "How do you know it is bad?"

A few days later, the horse returned. He had two wild horses with him. This brought the neighbors on the run. "Good, good!" they said, rejoicing with him. The old man asked them "How do you know it is bad?"

They could not answer that one either. So they said no more.

In training the two wild horses, the man's son was thrown and his leg was broken. Again the neighbors came to commiserate with him. "Oh, that's too bad," they said. "We sympathize with you in your misfortune." Again the old man said "How do you know it is bad?"

The very next day a war lord and his army came through the land conscripting all able-bodied young men to fight for them. But not the son of the old man. He was not able-bodied.

**MORAL:** *There is neither good, nor bad but thinking makes it so. Only good goes from us and only good returns to us. Hidden within each challenge is a blessing in disguise.*



## To What Degree . . .

Congratulations to the following employees for their successful academic accomplishments.

**Dan Moore**—Bachelors of Science degree in Business Information Systems from the University of Phoenix.

**Teresa Zelek**—Bachelors of Science degree in Business Information Systems from Arizona State University.

**Walter Thurber**—Certificate in the Certified Public Manager Program from Arizona State University.